Acronym	Full Name	Website
AAAD	Area Agency on Aging and Disability	
AAPD	American Association for People with Disabilities	www.aapd-dc.org
AARP	Formerly: American Association of Retired Persons	www.aarp.org
ACLF	Assisted Care Living Facility	
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act	www.ada.gov
ADA	Average Daily Attendance (Senior Center Census)	
ADDGS	Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to the States	
ADRC	Aging and Disability Resource Center (Connection in TN)	www.adrc-ta.org
ADL	Activities of Daily Living (Also see IADL) (Includes bathing, dressing, eating, toileting, walking, transferring)	
AG	Attorney General	www.attorneygeneral.state.t n.us
AHA	American Hospital Association (Also see THA)	www.aha.org
AIRS	Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (Also see IR)	www.airs.org
Alliance	Alliance for Disability Policy of Tennessee (CDD, The Arc, DLAC, United Cerebral Palsy of Middle TN & SILC of TN)	
AoA	Administration on Aging	www.aoa.gov
APS	Adult Protective Services	www.tennessee.gov/human serv/adfam/afs_aps.htm
The Arc	The Arc of Tennessee	www.thearctn.org
ВНО	Behavioral Health Organization	
CDD	Council on Developmental Disabilities (State DD agency)	www.tennessee.gov/cdd
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	
CIL	Center for Independent Living (Also see SILC)	
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Formerly: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)	www.cms.gov
The Coalition	Tennessee Disability Coalition	www.tndisability.org
COA	Council on Aging (See NCOA)	
СОВ	Close of Business (a deadline – due COB)	
DCS	Department of Children's Services	www.tennessee.gov/youth
DD	Developmental Disability (Disability acquired before the age of 22)	
DD	Development District (Nine regions in TN)	
DD Act	The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-402)	www.acf.hhs.gov/progr ams/add/ddact/DDACT 2.html
DDS	Disability Determination Services	
DHHS	U.S. Department of Health & Human Services	www.os.dhhs.gov
DHS	Tennessee Department of Human Services	www.tennessee.gov/human serv

	Disability Law & Advocacy Center	www.dlactn.org
DLWD	Department of Labor and Workforce Development	www.tennessee.gov/labor- wfd
DMHDD	Dept. of Mental Health & Developmental Disabilities	www.tennessee.gov/mental
DMRS	Division of Mental Retardation Services	www.tennessee.gov/dmrs
DNR	Do Not Resuscitate	
DOB	Date of Birth	
DOD	Date of Death	
DOH	Tennessee Department of Health	www.tennessee.gov/health
DRS	TN Division of Rehabilitation Services (See also VR)	http://tennessee.gov/human serv/rehab/rehab_main.htm
ECD	Economic & Community Development	www.state.tn.us/ecd/index. htm
ESC	Emergency Services Coordinator	
F&A	Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration	www.tennessee.gov/finance
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency (Also see TEMA)	www.fema.gov
FY	Fiscal Year (TN is July 1 – June 30)	
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year (Oct. 1 – Sept. 30)	
GSA	Gerontology Society of America	www.geron.org
HA	Home for the Aged	
HCBS	Home and Community Based Services	
HIPPA	Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act	www.hippa.com
HRA	Human Resources Agency	
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	www.hud.gov
I&A	Information and Assistance (Also see IR and AIRS)	
IADL	Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (Also see ADL) (Includes shopping, use of phone, housework, cooking, ability to use transportation, take medications, heavy chores, money management)	
ICF	Institutional Care Facility (Also see ICF/MR)	
ICF/MR	Institutional Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded	
ID	Intellectual Disability (New term for MR)	
IR or IR/A	Information and Referral / Assistance (Also see I&A and AIRS)	
IT or ITS	Information Technology (Systems) (Also see MIS)	
LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program	www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/liheap
LOC	Level of Care	
LTC	Long Term Care	
LTCO	Long Term Care Ombudsman	www.ltcombudsman.org/sta tic_pages/memex/Tennesse e.cfm

MCO	Managed Care Organization (Also see BHO)	
MI	Mental Illness (Also see SPMI)	
MIS	Management Information Systems (Also see IT)	
MR	Mental Retardation (Also see DMRS and ID)	
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area	
MW	Medicaid Waiver (See SSW)	
N4A	National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (Also see TN4A and SE4A)	www.n4a.org
NACO	National Association of Counties	www.naco.org
NAHC	National Association for Home Care	www.nahc.org
NAMI	National Alliance for the Mentally Ill	www.namitn.org
NAMP	National Association of Meals Programs	
NANASP	National Assoc. of Nutrition & Aging Services Programs	www.nanasp.org
NARFE	National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association	www.narfe.org
NASUA	National Association of State Units on Aging	www.nasua.org
NCCNHR	National Citizens' Coalition for Nursing Home Reform	www.nccnhr.org
NCOA	National Council on Aging (Also see NISC)	www.ncoa.org
NFCA	National Family Caregivers Association	www.nfcacares.org
NFCSP	National Family Caregiver Support Program (See Title III-E)	
NGA	National Governors Association	www.nga.org
NGA	National Guardianship Association	www.guardianship.org
NH	Nursing Home (Also see NHF & SNH)	
NHF	Nursing Home Facility (Also see NHF & SNH)	
NIA	National Institute on Aging	www.nia.nih.gov
NISC	National Institute of Senior Centers (Also see NCOA)	www.ncoa.org/content.cfm ?sectionID=44
OAA	Older Americans Act (The federal legislation that created State Units on Aging and Area Agencies on Aging.)	http://www.aoa.gov/oaa200 6/
OIG	Office of Inspector General	www.tennessee.gov/human serv/ispgen.htm
OIR	Offices of Information Resources (State office that plans, maintains, and supports the use of all State information technology.)	www.tennessee.gov/finance/oir
Olmstead	The Olmstead Decision (The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that there should be community options for people with disabilities.)	www.ilru.org/html/projects/ olmstead/about_olmstead.ht m
OPTIONS	OPTIONS for Community Living Program (SF HCBS)	
Pathfinder	Tennessee Disability Pathfinder (I&R Service)	www.familypathfinder.org
PAE	Pre – Admission Evaluation (The document signed by the physician upon which medical eligibility for nursing home and HCBS Waiver services	

	are based.)	
PD	Physical Disability	
PERS	Personal Emergency Response System	
PG	Public Guardian for the Elderly	
PSA	Planning & Service Area (Used to describe the AAAD regions)	
PSSA	Personal Support Services Agency	
QA	Quality Assurance	
QMB	Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (dually eligible)	
RFP	Request for Proposals	
RHA	Residential Homes for the Aged	
SAMS	Social Assistance Management Software	
SE4A	Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging	www.se4a.org
SES	Single Entry System (see SPE or SEP)	
SF	State Funded	
SHIP	State Health Insurance Assistance Program	www.cms.hhs.gov/Partners hips/10_SHIPS.asp
SILC	Statewide Independent Living Council of TN	www.tnsilc.org
SLMB	Special Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary	
SMP	Senior Medicare Patrol (Formerly SMPP)	www.aoa.gov/smp
SNH or SNF	Skilled Nursing Home or Skilled Nursing Facility (see NH)	
SP	Service Provider	
SPE or SEP	Single Point of Entry or Single Entry Point (see SES)	
SPMI	Seriously and Persistently Mentally III	
SRT	State Reporting Tool (Formerly NAPIS)	
SSA	U.S. Social Security Administration	www.ssa.gov
SSDI	Social Security Disability Insurance	www.socialsecurity.gov/dis ability
SSI	Supplemental Security Income	www.socialsecurity.gov/dis ability
SSN	Social Security Number	
SUA	State Unit on Aging (Also see TCAD)	http://www.nasua.org/SUA Members.cfm
SWW	Statewide Waiver (See MW)	
TAADP	Tennessee Association of Adult Day Care Providers	
TALS	Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services	www.tals.org
TAHRA	TN Association of Housing & Redevelopment Agencies	
TAHRA	TN Association of Human Resource Agencies	
TASC	Tennessee Association of Senior Centers	
TBI	Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (Investigates elder abuse)	www.tbi.state.tn.us

TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury	www.tennessee.gov/health
TCA	Tennessee Code Annotated	http://michie.lexisnexis.co m/tennessee/lpext.dll?f=te mplates&fn=main- h.htm&cp
TCAD	Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability	www.tennessee.gov/comagi ng
TCSW	Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare	www.tcsw.org
TDDA	Tennessee Development District Association	
TDOT	Tennessee Department of Transportation	www.tdot.state.tn.us
TEMA	Tennessee Emergency Management Agency	
TennCare	Tennessee Department of F&A, Bureau of TennCare (State Medicaid Agency)	www.tennessee.gov/tenncar
TFA	Tennessee Federation for Aging (Hosts an annual legislative breakfast, and annual training conference.)	
THCA	Tennessee Health Care Association (Nursing Home Operators)	www.thca.org
THCC	Tennessee Health Care Campaign	www.tenncare.org
THDA	Tennessee Housing Development Agency	www.tennessee.gov/thda
Title III-B	Part of the OAA – Services for seniors	
Title III-C	Part of the OAA – Nutrition services for seniors	
Title III-E	Part of the OAA – NFCSP services	
Title VI	Part of the Civil Rights Act	www.tennessee.gov/human rights/title_vi_disclaimer.ht ml
TN4AD	TN Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Disability (Also see SE4A and N4A)	
TNAHSA	Tennessee Association Homes and Services for the Aging	www.tnahsa.org
TN VOAD	TN Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster	www.nvoad.org
TMA	Tennessee Medical Association	www.medwire.org
TRC	Tennessee Rehabilitation Center	www.tennessee.gov/human serv/rehab/trc.htm
TTAP	Tennessee Technology Access Project	www.tennessee.gov/human serv/rehab/ttap.htm
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture	www.usda.gov
VA	Veterans Affairs	www.state.tn.us/veteran
VOR	Volunteer Ombudsman Representative	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Services (See also DRS)	www.tennessee.gov/human serv/rehab/vrs.htm
XIX or Title XIX	Social Security – Grants to States for Medical Assistance Programs	http://www.ssa.gov/OP_Ho me/ssact/title19/1900.htm